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## (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) Los Angeles - Wife of Man Tied to San Bernardino Terror Attack Admits Marriage Fraud

(U) The wife of a man accused of aiding the shooters in the San Bernardino terror attack pleaded guilty yesterday in an immigration fraud case and admitted that her marriage was a sham, federal prosecutors said. Mariyah Chernykh admitted that her marriage to Enrique Marquez Jr., the only person charged in connection with the 2015 terror attack, was a sham designed to enable her to obtain legal status in the US after overstaying a visitor visa in 2009, prosecutors said. Marquez is accused of plotting with Syed Rizwan Farook to carry out attacks and with supplying guns used in the attack that left 14 people dead and 22 injured.

SOURCE: 26 January 2017, Associated Press

## (U) NATIONAL

# (U) Florida – Airport Shooting Suspect Indicted on 22 Counts

(U) Miami – The man suspected of the shooting at a South Florida airport that left five people dead and six wounded has been formally indicted by a federal grand jury. The indictment returned yesterday charges Esteban Santiago with 11 counts of causing death or bodily harm at an international airport, five counts of causing death during a crime of violence and six counts of using a firearm during a crime of violence. Santiago could face the death penalty if convicted in the 6 January shooting at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport. The indictment contains no terrorism-related charges despite Santiago's claims to the FBI that he was inspired by the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL). SOURCE: 26 January 2017, Associated Press

# (U) Florida – Two Teens Arrested for Planning Mass Shooting at Middle School

(U) Lady Lake – Two male teenagers in central Florida were arrested yesterday after authorities discovered the pair's plan for a Columbine-style mass shooting at their middle school, police said. The unidentified students were charged with conspiracy to commit murder and placed into the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice. Law enforcement and school officials were initially tipped off of the pair's plans on Tuesday, police said. The arrests came after "officials learned of, and intervened in a plot to initiate a mass shooting at their school," a press release said.

SOURCE: 27 January 2017, ABC News

#### (U) New York – ISIL Sympathizer Sentenced to 20 Years for Foiled Plot

(U) Rochester – An upstate New York man was sentenced yesterday to 20 years in prison after pleading guilty to conspiring to provide material support to ISIL, in connection with his alleged role in preparing a New Year's Eve attack in 2015 at a local club or bar. Emanuel Lutchman of Rochester was sentenced by Chief Judge Frank Geraci of the federal court in that city, following his 11 August guilty plea, the US Department of Justice said. According to his plea agreement, Lutchman admitted to having bought a machete, knives, ski masks and other items for his attack, in which he was prepared to kidnap or kill people, and planned to later release a video explaining his actions.

SOURCE: 26 January 2017, Reuters

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## (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Indonesia – Indonesia Detains Five on Arrival for Suspected ISIL Link

(U) Bali – Police on the Indonesian resort island of Bali have detained five Indonesians returning from Turkey on suspicion they traveled abroad to join ISIL, an official said yesterday. It was the second batch of Indonesians detained this month after returning from Turkey, which has a porous border with Syria where ISIL militants control territory. Last week, authorities detained 17 people, including eight women, as they arrived at Jakarta's Soekarno-Hatta International Airport.

SOURCE: 26 January 2017, Associated Press

# (U) Mali - Three Arrests Made Over Attack That Killed 77

(U) Bamako – Forces from France's Operation Barkhane have arrested three people in connection with a suicide bombing in northern Mali that killed at least 77 people, Mali's Security Minister Salif Traore said yesterday. Al-Qa'ida in the Islamic Maghreb said five of its fighters conducted the attack on 18 January on a military camp in the town of Gao that also wounded more than 100 people. The UN peacekeeping mission has 13,000 staff from 123 nations in Mali. France maintains a 4,000-strong parallel peacekeeping operation, "Barkhane."

SOURCE: 26 January 2017, Reuters

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